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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2004. Also included with this submission are 11 sheets of formal drawings.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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